

DODGE COUNTY UW EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

August 23, 2016

The Dodge County UW-Extension Education Committee met on Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. in the UW-Extension conference room 1C at the Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Behl called Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present: Allen Behl, Ed Nelson, Larry Bischoff and Annette Thompson. Richard Bennett was absent.

Also, present: Jeff Hoffman, Community Development Educator and Co-Department Head, Marie Witzel, 4-H Youth Development Agent and Co-Department Head, Caitlin Richardson, Nutrition Coordinator, Pattie Carroll, Family Living Educator, Bonnie Borden, Youth Dairy & Livestock Agent, Amanda Young, Dairy & Livestock Agent, Loretta Ortiz-Ribbing, Crops & Soils Agent and Russell Kottke, County Board Chairman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Nelson, seconded by Thompson to approve minutes for Tuesday, July 19, 2016. Motions carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ALLOW THE CHAIRMAN TO GO OUT OF ORDER AS NEEDED TO EFFICIENTLY CONDUCT THE MEETING: Motion by Bischoff, seconded by Nelson to approve agenda and for Chairman to go out of order. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:

Behl reported on the Dodge County Fair.

APPROVAL OF PER DIEMS: Motion by Nelson, seconded by Bischoff to approve the regular meeting per diems for August 23, 2016 and also the PER DIEM for Bischoff and Behl for their mileage and meeting for the ICC meeting held on July 27, 2016.

REVIEW OF BILLS Review of the UW-Extension revenues and expenses.

DEPARTMENT BUSINESS:

- a. Reviewed UW-Extension Revenues and Expenses for July 2016.
- b. Review of the UW-Extension Budget
 1. Hoffman reported on the state of our Budget – gave a handout to each person and explained the BU's revenue and expenses through the end of June 2016. Everything is "in-line" to where it should be for the current budget year.
- c. Consideration of County Board Resolution for the County Conservation Aids Program
 1. Hoffman explained that the resolution is an annual request in order to apply for grant monies.
 - i. Motion by Nelson, seconded by Thompson to move forward with the above mentioned resolution. Motion carried.

- d. Discussion and consideration for Marie Witzel and Bonnie Borden to attend National Association of Extension 4-H Agents conference in New Orleans, LA – October 9-13, 2016
 - i. Motion by Nelson, seconded by Bischoff to approve Borden and Witzel to attend the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents conference in New Orleans, LA October 9-13, 2016. Motions carried.

EDUCATORS' REPORTS:

Witzel: Witzel reported on summer 4-H camp. There were 90 youth at base camp and 22 youth at outpost. We had the youth counselors taking a more active role in teaching at the camp which increase youth leader engagement. County fair was another big event, this year the only big issue was a dog bite. The shooting sports committee has been very successful generating funds and grants and this year had a trailer donated from Whitetails Unlimited Beaver Dam Chapter.

Carroll: Carroll reported that she was working with the Greater Watertown Health Foundation on a series of focus groups with stakeholders, especially early childhood care providers, to determine needs. She also reported the Dodge County City of Watertown CARES coalition (she leads) as a follow up to their spring summit is hosting a viewing of the critically acclaimed documentary Paper Tigers in October. The film helps us examine how trauma informed care could have positive impact.

Hoffman: Hoffman shared that he is working on the budget and anticipates to have completed by the end of the week. He talked about the nEXT GEN. restructuring project survey for county board supervisors and shared some on the progress of the workgroups. He also talked about his learning curve as the academic department chair.

Richardson: Richardson reported that over the summer she presented some nutrition education lessons to the individuals residing at Campbell Court apartments, those working at Green Valley (both adults and youth), to folks in the Forward Service Program in Beaver Dam and, lastly, to individuals that utilize the Beaver Dam Food pantry. Currently, Richardson is still doing some teaching and will be working on setting up future teaching events for the upcoming fiscal year.

Ortiz-Ribbing: Ortiz-Ribbing, the new Crops and Soils Area Agent introduced herself. She explained a bit about her background and new role in this position which is split 50:50 between Dodge and Fond du Lac Counties, and which will include many joint efforts in educational programming. She is currently getting settled into her new position, developing networks, and learning the ropes, but she has already worked with the Dodge County Forage Council to host the Twilight Meeting, will be holding an Agronomy Day for both counties on September 1st in Lamartine, and is facilitating efforts for the Rock River NonPoint Source (NPS) Workgroup. A NPS workshop focused on Dodge County Healthy Soil and Water is being planned for February 8th, 2017.

Borden: Borden reported on the Meat Animal Quality Assurance Program for 2016. The last meeting at the end of June brought 65+ youth, including some from surrounding counties where there are vacancies in the ag agent positions or where only 1 MAQA session is offered to the youth. Borden and her intern taught at Farm Technology Days and at Extension Day at Wisconsin State Fair where Commodity Carnival were offered as a learning tool to youth and adults. Borden shared that she enjoyed working with her intern, Dustin Winkelman, this summer and that he was insightful and a self-starter. She invited the committee to attend the upcoming carcass shows at County Meat Cutters, Cedar Road Meats, and Pernat Haase Meats.

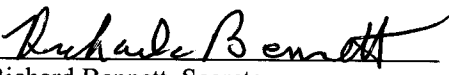
Winkelman: Winkelman discussed the success of his programs from this past summer. He talked about the success of Ag Day Escape. Also he explained to the committee the growing programs he works with at fair. For example he talked about the Supreme Showmanship Contest and the \$5,000.00 donation they received as well the Beef and Sheep Fitting Contest and the variety of prize donations they received for their top placing contestants. He remind the committee of the beef, sheep, and swine carcass contest that are still happening this week.

COMMUNICATION: None

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next regularly scheduled Extension Committee meeting, September 20, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. at the UW-Extension Conference Room 1C, in the Dodge County Administration Building at 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, Wisconsin.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before this committee, the meeting was adjourned by the order of the Chairman at 9:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Richard Bennett, Secretary


Allen Behl, Chairman